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Nutrient Management Notes

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Certification Expiration

- All certifications for Nutrient Generators, Private Nutrient Handlers, and Commercial Nutrient Handlers expire every 3 years. Please check your expiration date to prevent unexpected expiration.
- Certifications for Nutrient Consultants expire every year.
- Classes are advertised within this newsletter and are updated on the University of Delaware website: http://ag.del.edu/extension/NutriManage/
- Continuing Education classes should be as relevant as possible to your business.
- Any Nutrient Management class from other states can count toward your Continuing Education credits.

Certification Requirements

The minimum requirements for initial certification are:

1. Nutrient Generator

To obtain a nutrient generator certificate, the applicant must successfully complete at least 6 credit hours of educational course work as approved by the Nutrient Management Program.

2. Private Nutrient Handler

To obtain a private nutrient handler certificate, the applicant must successfully complete at least 9 credits of educational course work as approved by the Nutrient Management Program.

3. Commercial Nutrient Handler

To obtain a commercial nutrient handler certificate, the following criteria must be met:

- The applicant must take and successfully complete at least 12 credits of educational course work approved by the Nutrient Management Program.
 Proof of such completion of course work shall be submitted with the application.
- The applicant must pass a written test approved by the Commission.
- A \$150 fee is required for the period of three years.

4. Nutrient Consultant

To obtain a nutrient consultant certificate, the following criteria must be satisfied:

- The applicant must take and successfully complete at least 12 credits of educational course work approved by the Nutrient Management Program.
- The applicant must pass a written test approved by the Nutrient Management Program.
- A \$100 annual fee is required.
- Reciprocity: The Commission has adopted a policy accepting certification from certification programs such as Certified Crop Advisor, Virginia Nutrient Consultant, and Maryland Nutrient Consultant. A seminar covering the Delaware Law is still required.





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Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities

The following programs offer continuing education credits for individuals certified through the Delaware Nutrient Management Program. Please note that available credits listed for those programs were approved for continuing education at the time this newsletter was published.

Please check our website at http://ag.udel.edu/extension/Nutri/Manage/ for the current listing of programs available and other pertinent information.

	KENT COUNTY	CROP MASTERS ~ Contact: 302-730-4000	
		ension Office, Paradee Center, 69 Transportation Circle of charge PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED	
	12/01/08	Managing Water	1.0
	12/15/08	High Input Costs and Decisions 2009	1.0
All Classes	02/02/09	Crop Knowledge Review	1.0
6:00 – 9:00 pm	02/10/09	Nutrient Management Research Updates and Ask the Experts Roundtable	1.0
	02/16/09	Advanced Forage Protection	1.0
	03/10/09	Taking Advantage of the Information Age Evaluation Agriculture Information Sources	1.0

KENT COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE ~ Contact: 302-730-4000 Classes are offered free of charge PRE-REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED			
Delaware Organic Food and Farming Association			
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 pm 01/10/09 Annual Educational Meeting 2.0			

	DELAWARE STATE FAIRGROUNDS `Contact: Your Local County Agriculture Extension Agent Classes are offered free of charge PRE-REGISTRATION IS NOT REQURED				
	*This program is offered twice. You may only receive credit for attending once.				
1:30 – 4:00 pm 01/05/09 Turf Program					
6:00 – 8:30 pm	01/05/09	Delaware Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Meeting – Fruit Session	0.5		
1:30 – 4:00 pm	01/06/09	Delaware Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Meeting – Fresh Market/Vine Crops	1.0		
9:00 am – Noon	01/07/09	Delaware Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Meeting – Processing Vegetable Crops	0.75		
*6:00 – 8:00 pm	01/07/09	Evening Poultry & Nutrient Management Program	2.0		
6:00 – 9:00 pm	01/07/09	Seminar for Beef and Cattle Producers	1.0		
9:00 – 11:30 am	01/08/09	Agronomy and Soybean Morning Session	2.75		
1:00 – 4:00 pm	01/08/09	Agronomy and Soybean Afternoon Session	2.0		
6:00 – 8:00 pm	01/08/09	Nutrient Management for Equine Owners	2.0		

DELAWARE STATE FAIRGROUNDS ~ Contact: Dr. Richard Taylor Univ. of DE 302-831-1383 Classes are offered free of charge PRE-REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED					
*Portions of these programs are repeated. You may only receive credit for attending once.					
*6:00 – 9:00 pm	01/05/09	Delmarva Hay and Pasture Conference – Evening	1.0		
*8:45 am – Noon	01/06/09	Delmarva Hay and Pasture Conference – Morning	0.25		
*I:15 – 4:00 pm	01/06/09	Delmarva Hay and Pasture Conference – Afternoon	0.75		
6:00 – 9:00 pm	'				

Modern Maturity Center ~ Contact: Val at the DNLA 888-448-1203				
Program is \$40 - \$55 PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED				
Delaware Horticulture Industry Expo and				
8:45 am – 3:45 pm 01/15/09 Annual Pesticide Conference 1.0				

University of Delaware Carvel Research and Education Center				
Contact: Roseann Ferri 302-856-2585 ext. 550				
Class i	s offered free of	charge PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.		
This program is offered twice. You may only receive credit for attending once.				
*10:00 am – Noon	01/07/09	Morning Poultry & Nutrient Management Program	2.0	

Laurel American Legion ~ Contact: Hudson Consulting 302-875-6276					
Class is offered free of charge PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED					
*Credits are pending approval. Last year's program offered 2.0 credits					
*6:00 – 9:00 pm 01/22/09 Nutrient Management & Pest Management Course P					



Continuing Education Requirements

In order to maintain your certification, you must complete a minimum number of continuing education credits. The number of credits required depends on your level of certification:

Nutrient Generator, Private Nutrient Handler or Commercial Nutrient Handler: 6 credits prior to each 3-year anniversary date.

Nutrient Consultant: 5 credits annually prior to the anniversary date.

Continuing Education credits can be acquired (or earned) by attending:

- Programming offered by the University of Delaware Cooperative Extension.
- Educational or professional events hosted by companies or organizations including annual meetings, field days, workshops, etc.
- Continuing Education credits sponsored by the Certified Crop Advisor Program, Maryland Nutrient Management Program or the Virginia Nutrient Management Program.
- Other programs or activities approved by the Nutrient Management Program.

Continuing Education Credit Approval

If your company or organization is interested in conducting training for continuing education, or if you would like to find out if you can get continuing education credits for ongoing programs or activities, please contact the University of Delaware (302) 856-2585.

In general, one credit is approximately 40-50 minutes of Nutrient Management related lectures and discussions. The following schedule identifies the planned events that will be offering credits. It is important to inquire about continuing education credits at any Nutrient Management related event. For any questions please contact the Delaware Nutrient Management Program or the University of Delaware.

Mid-Atlantic Crop Management School Annual Workshop

Held annually in Ocean City, Maryland, the Mid-Atlantic Crop Management School offers a three-day workshop with a variety of breakout sessions. Topics include: Nutrient Management and Soil and Water Management along with several others. This year the school held the workshop on November 18-20 in Ocean City, Maryland and will be sponsored by the University of Maryland, University of Delaware, West Virginia University Cooperative Extension Systems, Mid-Atlantic Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) Board, and the United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Services (USDA-NRCS).

This workshop provides an excellent opportunity to receive the Continuing Education credits necessary for Consultants to renew their certification. This year the Nutrient Management Program approved 234 Continuing Education credits depending on course selection.

Next year's workshop dates will be announced but are typically scheduled for the 3rd week of November.

ATTENTION NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS

Please review the contact information for the list of Nutrient Management Consultants on page 5. If your information is incorrect or you would like to include or exclude your business affiliation and/or phone number, please contact our office so that we may make the necessary changes to our database. If we do not hear from you, your information will remain as listed.

Has your address and/or phone number changed?

Let us know!

Call 302-698-4500 with changes

Session Schedule:

Session I General 02/05/09

1:00—4:00 pm or 6:00—9:00 pm

Session II

Nutrient Generator

02/18/09

1:00—4:00 pm or 6:00—9:00 pm Horticulture

1:00—4:00 pm **Session III**

Private Handler

02/26/09 1:00—4:00 pm or

6:00—4:00 pm o 6:00—9:00 pm

Sessions I, II, and III will be held at the Delaware Agricultural Museum and Village 866 N DuPont Hwy Dover, DE 19901

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9:00 am—12:00 pm

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03/18/09 09:00—11:00 am

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09:00—11:00 am

Session IV and the Exams will be held at the Delaware Department of Agriculture 2320 S DuPont Hwy Dover, DE 19901

These sessions are for individuals that need to be certified through the Delaware Nutrient Management Program. You will NOT be able to receive continuing education credits by attending these sessions.

To sign up, please call Carrie Sterling University of Delaware (302) 856-2585, ext. 574.

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Planning for 2009

As crop year 2008 concludes, it is important to organize crop records and to start planning for crop year 2009. The Nutrient Management Law requires the following items to be organized and filed for six years:

- Nutrient Management Plan
- Nutrient Application Records
- Annual Report of nutrient application

You will receive a blank annual report by the end of January, which will be due March 1, 2008. The Nutrient Management Program offers nutrient management plan funds and relocation funds to assist in managing nutrients.

The following information is provided to assist in participation with these programs:

Nutrient Management Planning

A nutrient management plan is a farmer's "business plan" for nutrients. The more efficiently fertilizers are used on the farm, the less nutrients escape to waterways. A plan is developed by a certified nutrient consultant and includes maps, soil analysis, manure analysis, crop yield goals and a budget for nutrients.

The Commission depends on private and public nutrient consultants to develop nutrient management plans. The goal of a plan is to outline the best practices to prevent over-application of mishandling of manure and commercial fertilizers. Once the plan is completed, it is the job of the farmer to implement the plan and therefore to ultimately reduce nutrient runoff.

Funds are available for the reimbursement costs associated with having a plan developed by private consultants. For more information, or to apply for Planning Cost Share Assistance, call the Nutrient Management Office at (302) 698-4556.



Nutrient Management Relocation

Managing excess poultry litter has been a priority of the Commission since inception. Many farmers who demonstrate insufficient land or high soil phosphorus levels must find alternative uses for the poultry litter-manure. Many businesses have surfaced over the past few years to help manage excess litter-manure. The Relocation Program is one of several effective solutions to excess litter-manure generated in Delaware.

The Relocation Program provides financial reimbursement to farmers, brokers and trucking businesses for the transportation costs of relocating litter-manure from Delaware farms to alternative use projects or other farms for land application. The application process validates eligible senders, receivers, truckers and alternative use projects. Excess litter-manure continues to be transported for land application throughout Delaware as well as Maryland, New Jersey, and Virginia. Funds are available for the reimbursement of costs associated with the relocation of litter-manure. For more information, or to apply for Relocation Cost Share Assistance, contact the Nutrient Management Office at (302) 698-4557.



DELAWARE NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT CERTIFIED CONSULTANTS NOVEMBER 2008

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(302) 628-5074	(302) 856-0116	(302) 856-0117		
Thelton Sa	vage - NRCS Sussex (3	802) 856-0119		

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Jeffrey Draper	Nathan Hughes	Samuel Mitchell Jr.	Scott Webb	

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How to get involved and voice your opinion:

Meet and talk to commission members.

Attend commission meetings

Contact the Delaware Nutrient Management Program for dates and locations.

Nutrient Management Program

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Delaware Nutrient Management Commission

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VACANT		Sussex County Poultry Producer	
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